Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, Paragraph [0003], with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0003] Fig. 4 shows the configuration of a conventional projection type image display apparatus. In Fig. 4, white illumination light emitted from an illumination light source 101 is reflected by a reflector 102, passes through a fly eye lens A103 103, further reflected by a mirror M101, passes through a fly eye lens B104 104, a light polarization converting device 105 and a condenser lens 106, and then incident on a dichroic mirror DM101.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, Paragraph [0029], with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0029] The illumination light passing through the fly eye lens 3 is turned approximately 90 degrees by a mirror M1 serving as an illumination reflecting member, passes through a fly eye lens B4 4, a light polarization converting device 5 and a condenser lens 6 serving as a condensing optical device, and then incident on a dichroic mirror DM1.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, Paragraph [0036], with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0036] Each of the image display devices 8R, 8G and 8B is formed of a liquid crystal display panel or the like. A driving circuit, not shown, inputs driving signals to the image display devices 8R, 8G, and 8B in accordance with image information input from an image

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information supply apparatus <u>IS</u> such as a personal computer, a DVD player, a television and a VTR, not shown. <u>This is the same or the following embodiment.</u> The input driving signal drives each of the image display devices 8R, 8G and 8B to form an image for each color in accordance with the image information.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, Paragraph [0037], with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0037] The image light component for each color, modulated by the respective image display devices 8R, 8B and 8G, is incident on a color combination prism 9. The color combination prism 9 is formed of integrally combined four prisms such as dichroic membranes films DM3, DM4 are formed between respective two paired prisms.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, Paragraph [0038], with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0038] The image light component in the blue wavelength range incident on the color combination prism 9 is reflected by the dichroic membranes film DM3 within the color combination prism 9 and thus turned 90 degrees, and then emanates toward a projection lens 10.-

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, Paragraph [0040], with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--[0040] The image light component in the red wavelength range incident on the color combination prism 9 is totally reflected by one surface of the color combination prism 9, further reflected by the dichroic membrane film DM4, and emanates toward the projection lens 10.--